THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) The details of on-going rail projects falling partly/fully in Punjab during the last two years are given as under:—

(i) New broad gauge rail line between Chandigarh and Ludhiana.

(ii) New broad gauge rail line between Taran Taran and Goindwal.

(iii) New broad gauge rail line between Abohar and Fazilka.

(iv) New broad gauge rail line between Beas and Dera Baba Jaimal Singh.

(v) New broad gauge rail line between Nangal Dam and Talwara.

(vi) Doubling between Jallandhar - Jammu Tawi *via* Pathankot.

(b) The project is already in progress.

(c) and (d) The land is acquired by the State Government for which papers have already been submitted to the State Government. No such representation in this regard has been received by the Ministry.

(e) Does not arise.

Unmanned railway crossings in A.P.

3455. SHRIMATI VANGAGEETHA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of railway level crossings in Andhra Pradesh not provided with gates and man power;

(b) whether it is a fact that the absence of such gates and men is very dangerous and causes accidents; and

(c) if so, the details of action being taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE INTHE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL): (a) 1478 nos.

(b) No, Sir. Accidents at unmanned level crossings occur due to the negligence of the road users who fail to follow the road signs and the rules and stipulations contained in the Motor Vehicle Act, 1988 for safe crossing at level crossings.

(c) Does not arise.